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SUBJECT: BRANIFF, CIVAIR CONSULTATIONS

1. SUBJECT OF BRANIFF WAS NOT DISCUSSED BY THE SECRETARY AND FONMIN DE LA FLOR DURING THEIR SEPT 24 MEETING IN NEW YORK. ACTING ASST SECRETARY BOWDLER DID RAISE IT WITH DE LA FLOR, EXPRESSING HOPE GOP WOULD IMPOSE NO FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON BRANIFF PENDING BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS. DE LA FLOR SUGGESTED MATTER BE DISCUSSED IN GREATER DETAIL WITH UNDER SECRETARY MARCHAND, "FOREIGN MINISTRY EXPERT" ON SUBJECT.

2. IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION, MARCHAND TOLD COUNTRY DIRECTOR PRINGLE IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR GOP TO HOLD CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO EARLY NOVEMBER, SINCE THE VERY FEW OFFICIALS IN MINTRANSPORT WHO QUALIFIED UNDERTAKE CONSULTATIONS FULLY OCCUPIED OTHER MATTERS UNTIL THEN. HE ALSO SAID GOP WILL INSIST ON ELIMINATING PROVISIONS OF 1966 EXCHANGE OF NOTES WHICH GIVE TO THE DESIGNATED AIRLINES THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR DETERMINING APPROPRIATE FREQUENCIES, ETC. HE SAID MILITARY ARE ACCUSTOMED CONTROL EVERYTHING  
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WITHIN THEIR AREA JURISDICTION AND MILITARY OFFICERS IN MINTRANSPORT WILL INSIST ON SOME TYPE OF CONTROL OVER FREQUENCIES. HE ADDED THAT HE BELIEVED BRANIFF COULD OBTAIN THE TWO ADDITIONAL FREQUENCIES IT NOW SEEKING DURING GIVE AND TAKE OF CONSULTATIONS. RE TAX ON FIFTH FREEDOM

TRAFFIC ORIGINATING IN LIMA, HE SAID GOP WOULD INSIST ON THAT OR SOMETHING OF EQUIVALENT VALUE TO AEROPERU. HE EMPHASIZED THROUGHOUT FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DESIRE SEE PROBLEM SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED AND KEEP IT FROM BECOMING ISSUE IN U.S.-GOP RELATIONS.

3. PRINGLE SAID USG CONCERNED THAT GOP MIGHT USE ISSUANCE OF NEW PERMIT TO BRANIFF AS OCCASION IMPOSE FURTHER RESTRICTIONS, AS IT HAD IN CASE OF OTHER AIRLINES. HE EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE GOP WOULD AGREE NOT IMPOSE FURTHER RESTRICTIONS OF ANY KIND PENDING BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS. MARCHAND SEEMED ACCEPT REASONABLENESS THIS POSITION. HE AGREED DISCUSS IT WITH DE LA FLOR WITH VIEW TO HAVING LATTER, WHO IS RETURNING TO LIMA LATER THIS WEEK, RECOMMEND MAINTENANCE OF STATUS QUO TO MINTRANSPORT MENESES. KISSINGER

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